DODGE COUNTY UW EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING March 25, 2014

The Dodge County UW-Extension Education Committee met on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-Extension conference room 1C at the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Behl at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Allen Behl, Howard Kriewald, Darrel Pollesch, Larry Bischoff and Gerald Adelmeyer.

Also present: Jeff Hoffman, Department Head and Community Development Educator; Pattie Carroll, Family Living Educator; Sally Schoenike, 4-H & Youth Development Educator and Jim Mielke, County Administrator.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Kriewald, seconded by Pollesch to approve minutes for February 18 & February 25, 2014 meetings. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

Behl reported on the Dodge County Fair Association annual report he received. Behl passed around the report for Committee Members to review.

Also, reported that he attended the WACEC Conference planning meeting on March 7, 2014; reported that they had a key-note speaker that spoke about budgeting processes and how to improve the procedure for approving budgets with the County Board. 2015 WACEC convention will be held in partnership with the Wisconsin Counties Association to save money on travel expense for those that attend both meetings. 2014 meeting will be June 23-24 in Eau Claire, WI. There is \$700 in the budget for this meeting for Committee expenses. Will have more details at next month's meeting. Darryl reported he will not be able to attend.

APPROVAL OF PER DIEMS: Motion by Kriewald, seconded by Adelmeyer to approve the regular meeting per diems and for the February 25, 2014 special committee meeting for Agricultural Agent (Crops and Soils) Interviews.

REVIEW OF BILLS Review of the UW-Extension revenues and expenses.

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS:

- a. Reviewed UW-Extension Revenues and Expenses for February 2014.
- b. Approval for Sally Schoenike to attend "Space Camp" in Alabama, April 24-28, 2014
 - 1. Motion by Adelmeyer, seconded by Kriewald approving Sally Schoenike to attend Space Camp in Alabama April 24-28, 2014.
- c. Approval for Pattie Carroll to attend the Contemporary Family Conference in Miami, FL April 25-26, 2014
 - 1. Motion by Pollesch, seconded by Bischoff approving Pattie Carroll to attend Contemporary Family Conference in Miami, FL April 25-26, 2014.
- d. Update and discussion about the Dairy/Livestock Agent posting.
 - 1. There are currently four candidates for the preliminary interviews that will be held on April 21st in Madison. The interview process will follow the same format as the last one including campus people. It is anticipated that final interviews will be in early May.

- e. Consider, discuss, and take action to make an offer of employment for the position of Dodge County UW-Extension Agricultural Agent, crops and soils emphasis.
 - Behl informed the Committee members that both candidates turned the position down.
 Hoffman presented the two remaining resumes from the other two candidates for the
 Committee members to discuss and review as to whether or not to offer them the
 position.
 - Motion by Adelmeyer, seconded by Kriewald to extend an offer of employment to Ben Bartlett to fill the Agricultural Crops & Soils position, motion failed.
- f. Consider, discuss, and take action to recommend that UW-Extension repost the position of Dodge County UW-Extension Agricultural Agent, crops and soils emphasis.
 - 1. Motion by Bischoff, seconded by Adelmeyer to ask UW-Extension to repost/extend the position of Dodge County UW-Extension Agricultural Agent, crops and soils emphasis.
 - 2. Hoffman and Behl will talk to Matt Hanson regarding getting an interim person in until the position is filled.

EDUCATORS' REPORTS:

<u>Hoffman:</u> Hoffman shared that he is working with the Master Gardeners, working on a Conflict Management workshop for UW-Extension and he will be working with the City of Fox Lake on community development.

<u>Carroll:</u> Carroll reported on her work with the eParenting® blog pilot. Dodgeland School is one of four schools across the state participating in the project which will continue through mid May. Evaluative information will be shared in the future. Carroll explained that the conference she will be attending in April will directly benefit this project. Carroll also reported that she will be teaching a six week parenting class in partnership with Beaver Dam Unified School District from April 17 through May 22nd.

Schoenike: Schoenike updated the Committee on 4-H Centennial Projects, Programs, and activities. Summer 4-H Camps and Day Camps planning are underway along with the Camp Counselor Training. Farm City Day will be held on May 8 at the Schmidt Family Farm near Hustisford. She shared some of the school programs being done and reported on the 4-H on-line process used for enrollment and also for completing health forms for 4-H activities. Fair information will be handed out at the April 4-H Leader's Association Meeting and the April FFA Advisors Meeting.

COMMUNICATION: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next regularly scheduled Extension Committee meeting, April 22, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. at the UW-Extension Conference Room 1C, in the Dodge County Administration Building at 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before this committee, it was moved by Behl to adjourn at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald Adelmeyer Secretary

Allen Behl, Chairman

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